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Miss Lucy M. Fox.

I have no Wife

OR

The Sentiments of a single man

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have no wife, young girls are fair, But how it is I can - not tell, No
have no wife; and I can change From grave to gay, from light to sad, And
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soon - er are they wed, than their En - chantments, bid them all farewell. The
in my free - dom wide can range, Fret for a while, and then be glad. Or

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girls (God bless them) make us yearn To risk all odds and take a wife, To cling to one, and not to turn Ten thou-sand in the dance of life.

I can heed a sy - ren's song, And know that eyes glance not in vain, Make love a - pace and be - ing flung Get up and try my luck a - gain.

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have no wife, and like a wave, Can float a - way to a - ny land; Curl

have no wife, in Heaven they say Such things as wed - dings are un-known, Un -

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up and kiss, or gen-tly lave The sweet-est flowers that are at hand. Or
-yoked the bliss-ful spi-rits stray O'er fields where care no shade has thrown. Then

I can gaze up-on a brow, That mind and beau-ty both enhance, Can
why not have a Heaven be-low And let fair Hy-men hence be sent, It

go to the shrine and make my bow, And thank the fates I have a chance.
would be fine, but as things go, Un-wed-ded folks wont be con-tent.

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